

Autocracy has only just begun its course in the school of adversity.

Metz may resist attack a long time, but there are other ways into Germany.

Glue is said to be scarce—probably owing to the demand for Thrift stamps.

Many a woman would be glad if kitchen work were listed as non-essential.

If you are not doing any war work, get busy. There is something you can do.

Now the world is discovering that it needs women quite as much as it needs men.

The world seldom sympathizes with the man who advertises his troubles with a spite fence.

Tidy American housewives admire the thorough way in which the Yanks over there are "mopping up."

When the enemy is weakening is no time to "hit soft." The mercy stroke is a quick, sure, deadly thrust.

"Spanish grip" is at least a less objectionably named epidemic than "German measles."

The public is again earnestly exhorted to remember that the first signs of influenza are not to be sneezed at.

A tax of 10 per cent on all men's clothing has been advocated. Just so they don't put a tax on patches!

Men's trousers are to be shorter and tighter. Let them come—everybody is prepared for the worst.

Japan manages to do a wonderful amount of effective work without the assistance of a press agent.

The perils of a pedestrian among automobiles are slight compared to the chances a draft dodger is taking.

Strictly speaking there now appears to be but one essential industry, and that is, winning the war.

Lloyd George says "the worst is over" and Wilhelm is sure that "the worst is yet to come."

Tipping is extravagant and degrading, says an esteemed contempt. So is war, but everybody's doing it.

Some men are afraid they will have to go to war, and some of their wives are afraid they won't.

Enemy victories always turn out to be smaller and enemy defeats bigger than they are at first reported.

To have hanging in closets discarded clothing that might protect needy Belgians against the winds of winter is to misplace one's generous instincts.

Human life has been lengthened three years by science and sanitation. And the age of a suit of clothes has been increased three years by the war.

Knitting needles are again withdrawn from their scabbards and are clicking in their own way toward victory.

The kaiser is reported as "very despondent," and when you stop to think about it there is not much excuse for merriment on his part these days.

One way to end this submarine war would be to keep the women and children off the ships, thus depriving the U-boats of suitable targets.

We insist that the sublimest hero of the war is the man who is voluntarily submitting his body to the ravages of the cattle that science may devise a way of combating it!

That suggestion that no man shall be employed in a position which a woman can fill will come as a severe blow to a lot of soft-handed, self-glorified men.

Some of the fellows who are worrying for fear they will be drafted have no cause for uneasiness. The army wants to win.

The laws enacted in the last few years have established a fine alibi for the old-fashioned common drinking cup in the present influenza epidemic.

Automobile shows planned for next year are being canceled. The motor situation has become one of such gloom that it is impossible to smile even at the flivver joke.

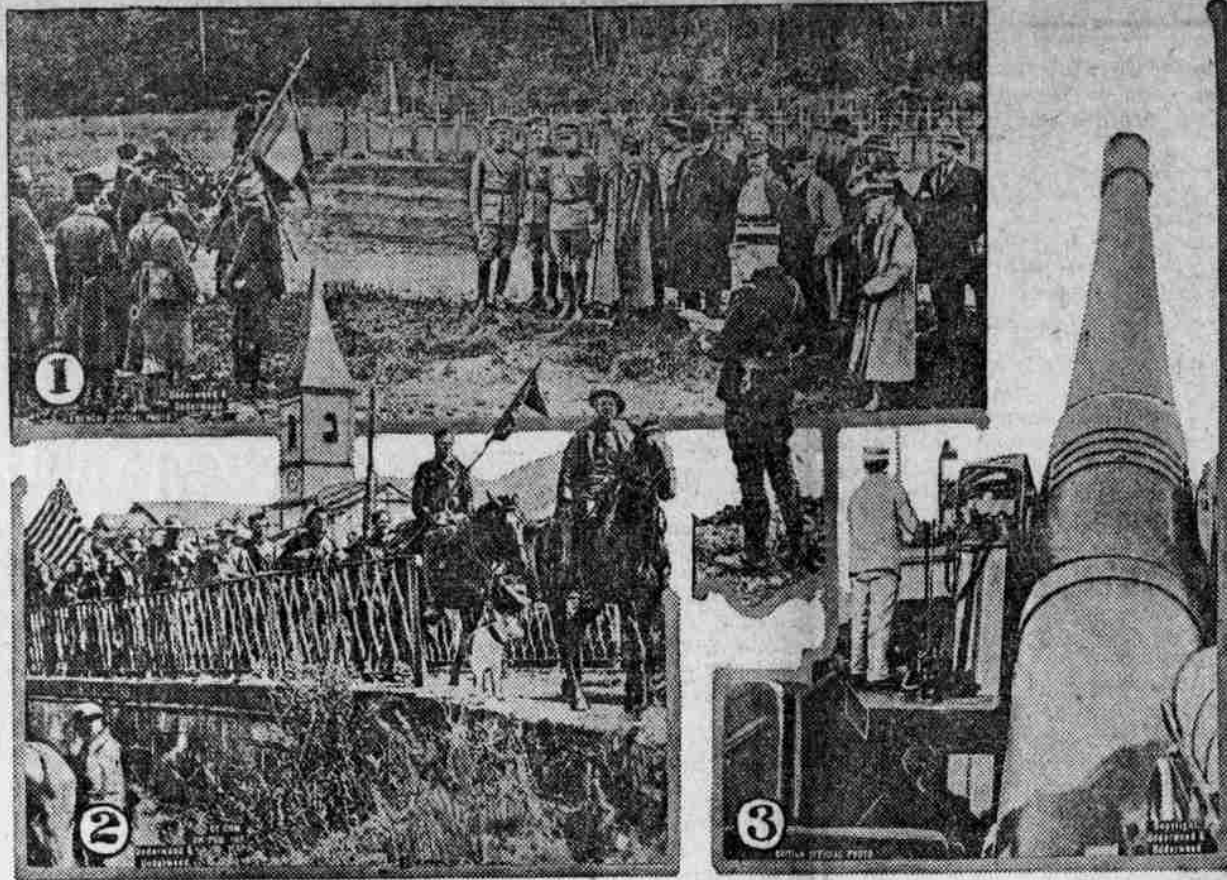
Only one pound of candy will be allowed each customer, but one pound of candy at a time is about all the average girl can eat.

Cotton finds itself sharing the distinction enjoyed by wheat of being too important to become the plaything of speculation.

A more general use of lady barbers is among the probabilities. And why not? Let us avoid, however, those women who take a great delight in cutting men.

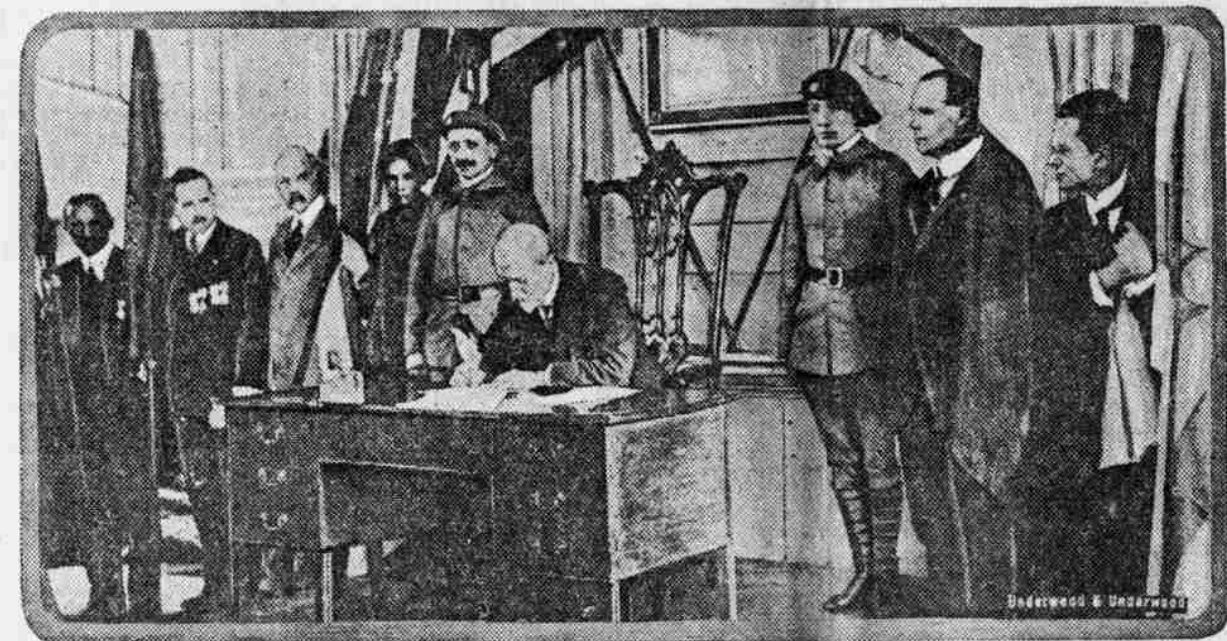
What does it profit the government if you save a gallon of gasoline on Sunday and waste two during the rest of the week?

To many a maiden the best news from the front is the statement of recurring in the letters, "we like American girls best."



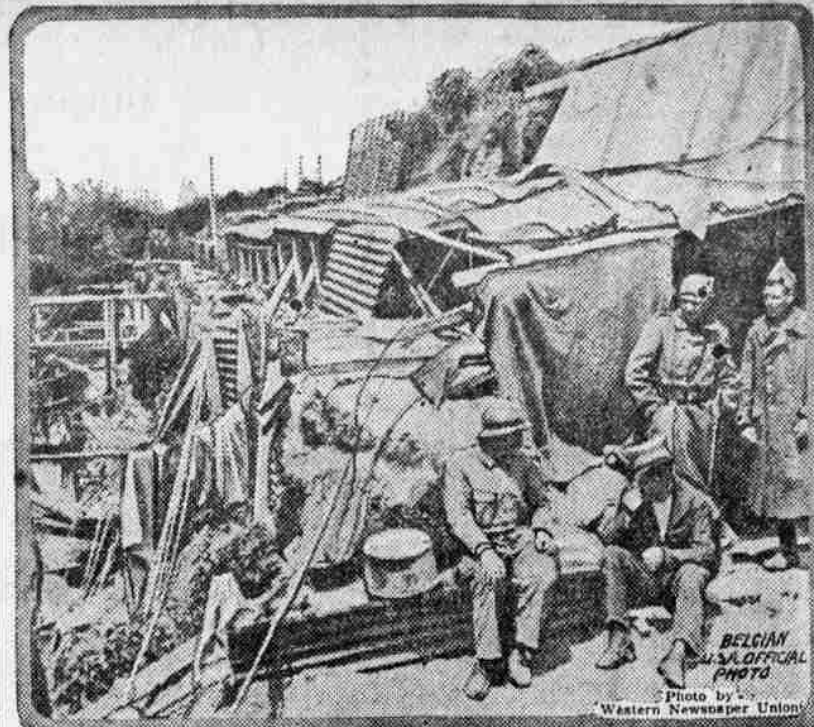
1—Services by the French Memorial society at the graves of American soldiers who fought and died at Belleau wood, which has been renamed "The Wood of the Americans." 2—American engineers returning from duty in the St. Mihiel salient, passing through Nonsard. 3—One of the British 15-inch guns mounted on a monitor operating on the Piave river, Italy.

SIGNING A NEW DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE



Independence hall, Philadelphia, was again the scene of the signing of a Declaration of Independence. Headed by Prof. T. G. Masaryk, prime minister for the newly recognized Czechoslovak republic, a delegation of men representing a number of the subject races of Austria-Hungary signed the Declaration of Independence of the mid-European union. In the photograph Prof. Masaryk is signing the declaration.

ON THE RECAPTURED BELGIAN FRONT



One of the corners of a new sector recaptured from the retreating Huns by the Belgians who are gallantly and steadily reclaiming their land.

YANK TANK GOING OVER THE TOP



One of the many tanks that took part in the capture of the St. Mihiel salient by the troops under the command of General Pershing is here shown plowing its way through a trench and starting toward the German lines.

MISCELLANEOUS

Youngstown, O., has appointed a commissioner to compel all males up to fifty to go to work.

An electrically driven machine has been invented to take the place of the adze in shipyards.

Crabs are past masters in the art of camouflage. One of their favorite devices is to take advantage of their natural resemblance to certain rocks.

One of the largest confectionery establishments in the world, employing 2,500 hands, is located in the Japanese city of Tokyo.

Is a Soldier Necessarily Immoral and Irreligious?

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TEXT—Cornelius, the centurion, a just man, and one that feared God.—Acts 10:22.

What will be the character of the several million young men who will come back to the United States from the great world war? Will they be cruel, barbarous, immoral and irreligious? Some seem to think that they will, reasoning that the business of the soldier in slaying his enemy will produce this result. They say that men in certain occupations, for instance that of slaughtering

animals in the stock yards, are not permitted to serve on juries. It is reasoned that the constant sight of blood blunts their sensibilities so that they would not be slow to doom a fellow man to death on slight evidence.

It must be admitted that the terrible business of warfare develops in some men the spirit of cruelty and brutality.

It is claimed, also, that the life of the soldier cannot but result in the lowering of his morals, and that it will almost certainly utterly destroy anything like religious principles. Doubtless some will come back more immoral than they went away, and some who went away moral will come back immoral. We believe, nevertheless, that there is no necessary peril in the occupation of a soldier, when the issues of the war in which his country is engaged are righteous and just. Indeed, we believe the contrary result will be far more likely.

Take Bible soldiers, those that belonged to Israel, God's people. There was Joshua, a redoubtable soldier, a great commander-in-chief of the military establishment of Israel in the days of Moses. He was a great fighter, but could say, "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." Gideon did not disdain to fight manfully against his enemy, and he was one whose sword was wielded as with the sword of the Lord. There was David, the greatest fighter of his day, fighting from a mere boy to his old age, yet David was a man after God's own heart, and wrote, "The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want," "Who have I in heaven but thee, and there is none on earth that I desire beside thee."

Coming to New Testament times we find several soldiers mentioned, all of the Roman or pagan army. Centurions are mentioned several times, and in every case with commendation. One centurion was a faithful friend of Paul on his journey to Rome. Another went to Jesus and besought him to come and save his child. He was a nobleman, and had built a synagogue for the Jews; and Jesus said his faith was greater than any he had found in Israel. Another centurion said of Christ on the cross, "Truly this was the Son of God." Cornelius was a centurion, "a just man who feared God," and a man of prayer. It is also recorded that he had a servant, a devoted soldier, probably an ignorant barbarian, but one whom the Spirit of God had touched. And it is to be remembered that in those days battles were hand-to-hand and usually resulted in the death of the defeated party.

All through the centuries many great soldiers have been great Christians; and unquestionably a large number of officers and men in the present war are also decided Christians.

Never were soldiers of any army so guarded as to morals and religion. The Young Men's and Young Women's Christian associations, the Salvation Army, the church organizations, the camp pastors and chaplains, with hundreds of ministers visiting the camps are giving splendid service in this direction.

The government of the United States has made provision for the protection of the camps at home and abroad from immoral influences to an extent never before attempted, and never before were the prayers of Christian people so earnestly offered for the soldiers as now. Many men are being prayed for who were never prayed for before, and many are hearing the gospel in the camps who never heard it before.

With these considerations and others that might be set forth, it is our belief that men will return more chivalrous, gentle, moral and religious than when they went away. They will come back to be leaders in our churches and in all kinds of religious service like the soldiers who came back after the Civil war, both in the North and in the South, to be the leaders in the churches.

Food for Strength.

The spiritual life must be fed. We cannot expect to be alive spiritually unless we are on the alert for spiritual food. If we are following a starvation diet as regards prayer and Bible study, we need not be surprised if we become spiritually feeble.

THIS WEEK, NERVOUS MOTHER

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